COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PROPOSED REPRICING OF AT&T'S)
GENERAL SERVICES TARIFF) CASE NO. 90-161

ORDER

On June 4, 1990, AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. ("AT&T") filed a motion of intent to adjust its intrastate rates and charges. On June 15, 1990, the Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, by and through his Utility and Rate Intervention Division, filed a motion for full intervention. The motion was granted on June 19, 1990. On June 25, 1990, Americall Systems of Louisville filed a motion for full intervention. The motion was granted on July 5, 1990. Also, on July 5, 1990, AT&T filed its application. On August 6, 1990, the proposed rates and charges were suspended to allow sufficient time for investigation. All information requested by the Commission and intervenors has been filed. No party filed a petition for a public hearing as required in the schedule of procedure issued on September 25, 1990 and, therefore, no public hearing has been held.

AT&T proposed the following changes:

1. An increase to the charge for station-to-station customer dialed calling card service from 50 cents to 80 cents per call.

- 2. An increase to the charge for operator-handled, station-to-station service from \$1.40 to \$1.75 per call and an increase to the charge for operator-handled, person-to-person service from \$2.25 to \$3.50 per call. Also AT&T proposed to introduce an operator-dialed surcharge of \$.75 per call applicable to those station-to-station and person-to-person calls where the customer has the ability to dial the desired telephone number but has the operator dial instead -- i.e., collect calls and calls billed to a third telephone number.
- 3. An increase to the charge for directory assistance from 20 cents to 60 cents per call. Also, AT&T proposed to eliminate existing directory assistance call allowances with the exception of the call allowance for handicapped persons. This change is consistent with current local exchange carrier tariffs governing call allowances for intraLATA¹ long distance directory assistance.
- 4. An increase to the charge for busy line verification service from \$.50 to \$2.00 per request and an increase to the charge for busy line interruption service from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per request.
- 5. An increase to the service charge for call conference service from \$2.25 per called station to \$9.00 per called station. Also, AT&T proposed to rate each call on the conference based on the distance between the originating station and each station on the conference. The existing tariff rates each call based on the longest leg of the conference call.

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- 6. A reduction to switched Message Telecommunications Service, Pro WATS,² and All Pro WATS in specified rate bands across all rate periods. Also, AT&T proposed to increase rates for these switched services in specified rate bands in the night/weekend rate period.
- 7. A reduction to the night/weekend initial hour rate for Reach Out Kentucky from \$11.35 to \$10.40 and the night/weekend additional hours rate from \$10.60 to \$9.85 per hour.

The proposed rates and charges are cost documented and appear to be reasonable. They are also revenue neutral -- i.e., additional revenue from increased rates are offset by reduced revenue from decreased charges. Therefore, the Commission finds that the proposed rates and charges should be approved.

Having been otherwise sufficiently advised, the Commission HEREBY ORDERS that:

- 1. AT&T's proposed rates and charges are approved as filed for service rendered on and after the date of this Order.
- 2. Within 30 days from the date of this Order, AT&T shall file revised tariff pages with the Commission stating the rates and charges approved herein.

Wide Area Telecommunications Service.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 2nd day of January, 1991.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

Vice Chairman

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ATTEST:

Executive Director